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		Character of Case  <b>ANTI-RACKETEERING - CONSPIRACY</b>	

## SUMMARY

REFERENCES:

New York report of SA LEONARD H. McCOY,  
7/19/65.  
Bureau airtel to NY, 5/2/66.  
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6/8/66.  
Baltimore report of SA [Redacted]  
6/3/66.  
Boston report of SA [Redacted]  
6/6/66.  
Buffalo report of SA FRANCIS B. JENKINS,  
6/10/66.  
Chicago report of SA [Redacted]  
6/10/66.  
Cleveland report of SA [Redacted]  
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Original and one copy of letterhead memorandum  
setting forth characterizations of informants utilized in this  
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ADMINISTRATIVE

The investigative period of this report predates the last New York Summary Report in this matter so as to include results of investigation conducted by auxiliary offices not available at the time of preparation of that report.

Deletions from, and changes of LCN membership and suspected membership lists, set forth in referenced report of SA LEONARD H. MC COY, dated 7/19/65, are primarily attributable to deaths, determinations of suspected members being actual members or non-members, or transfers of members from one "family" to another. Variations in the spellings of some LCN members' names, as previously reported, are ascribed to developments in the investigations of the respective members.

In view of the superfluity of these changes, they are not being set forth in most cases herein, but are being maintained in the New York case file.

No identifying source has been set out in suspected LCN member lists reported herein, inasmuch as such sources, in many instances, do not conform with criteria set by the Bureau.

In some instances resort has been made to the narrative style to describe certain phases of LCN. Such recourse, however, was made only where the facts described have previously been reported and are readily documented.

By airtel dated 6/22/66, the Bureau commented concerning recent United States Supreme Court decisions involving members of LCN and the efficacy of Federal Grand Juries (FGJ) against LCN. The Bureau furnished specific guidance to be followed by the Field in directing investigative efforts against LCN through use of the FGJ system. For the benefit of those offices that did not receive a copy of that airtel, the decisions of the United States Supreme Court pertained to SALVATORE SHILLITANI vs. United States and ANDIMO PAPPADIO vs. United States.

SHILLITANI and PAPPADIO are members of the NYC LCN "family" headed by "Commission" member THOMAS LUCHESE and both were convicted of criminal contempt upon their refusals to answer

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questions, after having been granted immunity under the provisions of the Narcotics Control Act of 1956, before a specially convened FGJ in New York's Southern District. Each received a two-year prison sentence, SHILLITANI on 8/10/64, and PAPPADIO on 10/30/64, with a purge clause enabling release upon compliance with the court's order that certain questions be answered. The finding of contempt was returned by a United States District Judge, and no jury trial was held in either case.

The district court was affirmed in their appeals before the Second Circuit and the United States Supreme Court later granted certiorari.

In its decision, the Supreme Court declared that the actions against SHILLITANI and PAPPADIO were civil in nature rather than criminal, in that the lower court's directive came as a result of petitioners' "refusing to do what had been ordered", and not "in doing what had been prohibited". As such, the order of imprisonment was found to be coercive rather than punitive, rendering the action a civil matter.

After vacating the judgments against the defendants, the court said, with respect to civil contempt proceedings, that where the contempt consists of a refusal to obey a court order to testify at any stage of judicial proceedings, the witness may be confined until compliance. Where the refusal is one of testimony before a grand jury, the confinement must cease when the grand jury is discharged. The court added, however, that "the sentences of imprisonment may be continued or reimposed if the witnesses adhere to their refusal to testify before a successor grand jury."

The Bureau pointed out that this decision, in effect, provides guide lines for United States Attorneys regarding the proper procedures to be used in such grand jury inquiries, particularly in its distinction between civil and criminal actions.

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Information from selected confidential sources has been included in the details of this report primarily for identification of some individuals as members of LCN, however, its use in no manner is prejudicial to the security of those sources.

In five instances, multiple "T" symbols have been utilized to afford additional protection to certain informants.

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"	NY T-106

Information relating to results of investigation conducted by auxiliary offices contained herein was originally reported by those divisions in compliance with Bureau instructions.

In conformity with Bureau instructions, New York has analyzed all available information from reporting offices in compiling this report, and has set forth appropriate leads to develop this conspiracy.

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In order to portray the over-all scope and implications of LCN and its operation on a national scale in the US, NY has selected, as a matter of judgment, that information which most clearly appears to describe LCN and its effects on criminal and legitimate enterprises in the US.

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BS 837-C\*



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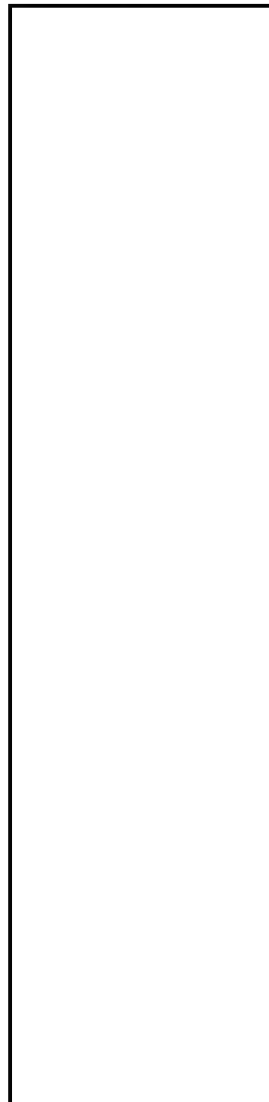
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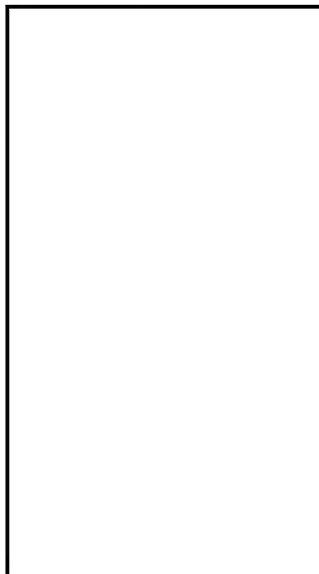
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LEADS:

Information copies of this report are being furnished to the designated offices to assist in the over-all coordination of this investigation and to apprise them of the progress and extent of the Bureau's penetration of LCN.

ALL OFFICES

All offices should continue to be aware of the purposes and aim of this investigation inasmuch as any office may be concerned with certain aspects of this investigation from time to time.

The continuing need to develop live member informants to enable the Bureau to achieve its ultimate goal in this matter, that is, the presentation of admissible evidence in court to sustain conspiracy actions against members of LCN, cannot be stressed too strongly.

Albany	Jacksonville	Phoenix
Baltimore	Kansas City.	Pittsburgh .
Boston	Los Angeles	St. Louis
Buffalo	Miami	San Diego.
Chicago	Milwaukee	San Francisco
Cleveland	Newark	Springfield
Dallas	New Haven	Tampa .
Denver	New Orleans	
Detroit	Philadelphia	

The attention of the above noted offices is directed to referenced Bureau airtel to New York, 6/22/66, which outlined the approach to be taken in utilizing FGJ action in combating LCN following the United States Supreme Court's decision of 6/6/66, in SALVATORE SHILLITANI versus US and ANDIMO PAPPADIO versus US.

A review of referenced reports indicates that each of these offices has developed sufficient information concerning activities of members and suspected members of LCN to justify initiating and/or sustaining FGJ action on a selective basis along the lines set out in referenced Bureau airtel of 6/22/66.

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It is noted that some offices have been profitably using FGJ action against LCN members on a continuing basis.

Accordingly, all of the above designated offices are requested to re-evaluate efforts being taken by them in this aspect of the LCN program and contact appropriate US Attorneys with view to advantageously utilize this procedure.

HOUSTON

At Houston, Texas

The attention of the Houston Division is called to referenced Dallas report of SA [REDACTED] 6/3/66, a copy of which has been furnished to Houston. In view of information given by DL T-5, DL T-6 and DL T-7 in that report naming individuals as members of the "Mafia" and/or LCN in the Houston area, Houston is requested to institute separate investigations concerning them to determine the scope of LCN activity in the Houston territory.

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NEW YORK

At New York, New York

1. Will, upon receipt of Bureau instructions, submit summary report coordinating all pertinent data and incorporating developments in this investigation on a national scale.
2. Will set forth leads as necessary to develop this conspiracy.

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Field Office File #: New York 92-2300

Bureau File #: 92-6054

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Character:

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## Synopsis:

Present membership of the "Commission" of "La Cosa Nostra" (LCN) consists of VITO GENOVESE (NYC), CARLO GAMBINO (NYC), THOMAS LUCHESE (NYC), JOSEPH COLOMBO (NYC), STEFANO MAGADDINO (Buffalo), [redacted] Chicago), JOSEPH ZERILLI (Detroit) and ANGELO BRUNO (Philadelphia). Initiation rites of LCN set out. All members of LCN, both old and new, reportedly will be compelled to take a new oath. All new members must now be sanctioned by the "Commission." FGJ action against LCN continues to be utilized effectively. Known Leadership and Membership set forth. Purpose of Apalachin meeting in 1957 revealed. Shylocking reported to be the biggest source of income for LCN with gambling being the second. Income from shylocking in Greater New York Area estimated to run to a billion dollars annually. Information concerning skimming of funds from, and hidden ownership of Las Vegas casinos and hotels set forth. Details concerning solution of numerous murders attributed to LCN members disclosed. Hazel Park Race Track reportedly owned and controlled by Detroit "family" of LCN. Additional LCN influence in legitimate business set out. Discipline within LCN reported to be not good.

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DETAILS:

I. EXISTENCE

"The Commission"

The ruling body and ultimate authority of "La Cosa Nostra" (LCN) is the "Commissione" (Commission). According to most recent information, the "Commission" at present consists of the following individuals:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Area</u>
VITO GENOVESE (Incarcerated)	New York, New York
CARLO GAMBINO	New York, New York
THOMAS LUCHESE	New York, New York
JOSEPH COLOMBO	New York, New York
STEFANO MAGADDINO	Buffalo, New York
<div data-bbox="326 1120 722 1181" style="border: 1px solid black; height: 30px; width: 253px;"></div>	Chicago, Illinois
JOSEPH ZERILLI	Detroit, Michigan
ANGELO BRUNO	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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It is to be noted that JOSEPH BONANNO, former head of the BONANNO "family" in New York, New York, was deposed from his position of a member of the "Commission" as well as being demoted to rank of soldier with other officers of his "family." It is to be further noted that leadership of the former BONANNO "family" was given by the "Commission" at the instigation of STEFANO MAGADDINO to GASPARE DI GREGORIO. Although DI GREGORIO has succeeded JOSEPH BONANNO as "family" head, there is no indication that he is a member of the "Commission" as BONANNO had been.

No positive information has been developed that the "Commission," which prior to BONANNO's deposition was comprised of nine individuals, has had a ninth individual elected to it to fill the vacancy.



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The following individuals, it has been learned, control member groups of LCN in their respective territories but ultimately answer to the "Commission." Next to the "Commission" members these people are considered the key LCN leaders:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Area</u>
RAYMOND PATRIACA	New England
SANTO TRAFFICANTE	Florida
JOHN SCALISH	Cleveland, Ohio
NICHOLAS CIVELLA	Kansas City, Missouri
ANTHONY GIARDANO	St. Louis, Missouri
CARLOS MARCELLO	New Orleans, Louisiana
JOSEPH CIVELLO	Dallas, Texas
FRANK BALISTRIERI	Milwaukee, Wisconsin
FRANK DESIMONE	Los Angeles, California
JOSEPH CERRITO	San Jose, California

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NY T-79 had advised that the currently publicized name of the organization called "La Cosa Nostra" is synonymous with the "Mafia". NY T-79 further advised that "LCN" is also known throughout the country as "Organization", "Outfit" and the "Family."

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NY T-25 has advised that there has been much conjecture concerning the reason for the meeting at Apalachin, New York, in November, 1957, which was raided by the New York State Police. The informant stated that the only reason for the meeting actually was for the various "bosses" and headmen of the various "families" of LCN to get together, meet with each other, and vow their support to one another.

NY T-25 added that there was no particular reason other than the above for this meeting other than merely a general get together.

Informant recalled that there had been much talk in the newspapers and among law enforcement officers that the reason for the above meeting was to decide the fate of CARMINE LOMBARDOZZI, however, insisted that this definitely was not so.

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EXISTENCE

At various times during the period May, 1965, to June, 1966, NY T-75, NY T-76 and NY T-22, together with other informants, continued to furnish information that an organized Italian criminal conspiracy continues to exist in the Southern California area. This organization is referred to by its members as LCN.

These sources have advised that LCN is nationwide and is broken down into groups throughout the United States known as "Families" or "Brugads". These groups are located primarily in major cities of the eastern, mid-western and western parts of the United States. There are "Families" located in Chicago, Detroit, Cleveland, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia and Massachusetts, for example, as well as five "Families" located in New York, New York. In the Southern California area, there is but one "Family" which would include both the Los Angeles and San Diego areas. In Northern California an LCN "Family" exists in San Francisco and another LCN "Family" exists in San Jose, California.

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NY T-47 advised in March of 1966, that the organized crime element existing in Chicago has been in effect for at least the past 40 years and is, in actuality, a part of the organization known as the "Mafia." This organization has been known by many names and the most current terminology for this organization is LCN. According to this source, the organized crime element in Chicago has been considered to be the Chicago "family" and another group exists in Rockford, Illinois, known as the Rockford "family". It was further indicated that the Chicago "family" exerts influence and control over the group in Milwaukee, Wisconsin referred to as the Milwaukee "family", and has an association with the Springfield "family" in Springfield, Illinois.

In May, 1966, NY T-48 advised that the organization commonly referred to as the LCN is now and has always been the "Mafia." It was stated by this source that the use of the proper name of the organization, "Mafia," is forbidden as a term of reference by members. The name LCN is used as a term of reference by those persons who share a common knowledge of the organization. The terms LCN or "Amico Nostro" have been utilized as means of identifying among themselves or introducing one another. According to this source, the term LCN is used on a national basis. The only other term of reference with which he is familiar is the "outfit" or the "family".

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In July, 1965, NY T-7 furnished information describing STEVE MAGADDINO as an extremely "big" individual in the overall picture of LCN. The informant stated that MAGADDINO is an old man, but is the spokesman for all thirty-four "families" throughout the United States. He also stated that MAGADDINO maintains ties with the "Mafid" in Italy. In March, 1966, NY T-38 advised there is an LCN in the Buffalo, New York area which is often referred to as "The Syndicate", "The Mafia" and "The Organization". Informant stated it is a well known fact that STEVE MAGADDINO is the boss of this group and exercises control over the group through the muscle supplied in the Buffalo area by FRED G. RANDACCIO.

In March, 1966, NY T-3, when questioned concerning STEVE MAGADDINO's territorial rights in LCN, stated that MAGADDINO controls Buffalo, Canada and Youngstown - Erie sections, but this does not necessarily mean everything between Buffalo and Youngstown was controlled by MAGADDINO. NY T-3 cited an analogy of JOSEPH BONANNO at one time controlling some territories in New York and Phoenix - Tucson but not controlling all territories between New York and Arizona.

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NY T-95, a member source who [redacted] [redacted] advised that the Pittsburgh "Burgata" of LCN was organized in about 1905. Prior to that year the "organization" was commonly referred to as the "Black Hand" and was in control of members called "Commurista", who were mostly Italians from Calabria, the area in Southern Italy located in the heel of the boot. He advised that the term "Burgata", which may also be "Borgata" is the term used to identify the "Family" or group.

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## II ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

### A. ORGANIZATIONAL TERMS

LCN continues to function under the following organizational structure:

#### "Commissione" or "Commission"

The "Commissione" is the highest ruling body in LCN. The membership is composed of "rappresentanti" (bosses) of the individual "borgata." The terms "brugad" or "family" are also used synonymously with "borgata." The "borgata" operates with complete jurisdiction in the area to which it is assigned. It is subject only to the authority and control of the "Commissione." The size, strength and membership of the "borgata" may vary.

#### "Boss," "IL Capo" or "Rappresentante"

Each of the above terms may be used to designate the individual in charge of a "borgata." His authority is absolute (subject to "Commission" approval) and he is the final arbiter in all matters relating to the affairs of his "borgata." It is noted that the definition of authority between the "boss" and his "family" is not altogether clearly defined since the dispute of JOSEPH BONANNO with the "Commission."

#### "Underboss," "Sottocapo"

This individual is the second in command to the "boss." He generally relays instructions from the "boss" and acts as the "boss" of the "borgata" in the absence of the "boss."

#### "Consiglieri," "Consulieri"

Both of the above terms have been used synonymously to designate the position in each "borgata" which position is not in the direct line of command. The "Consiglieri" advises and arbitrates disputes between members within the "family." He is the ~~Counselor~~ or advisor within a "borgata."



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"Capodecina," "Caporegima", "Skipper"

The above terms are used synonymously to signify the authority delegated to a certain member of the "borgata" by the "boss." This is the operational level of the organization. The men in the "borgata" are assigned to the various "capodecine" and are obligated to carry out their orders. There is apparently no settled number of "capodecine" in a "borgata," nor are there a fixed number of men assigned to a "capodecina." It should be noted that the original term of "Capodecina" is translated as the "Head of Ten."

The term "Skipper", it has been learned, is often used throughout LCN to designate "Capodecina." The term "Skipper" is particularly in common use among the members of the CARLO GAMBINO "family."

"Soldier" - "Member" - "Button Man" - "Made Guy"

The individual members of a "borgata" are known as "soldiers." Soldiers are assigned to a "Capodecina." This is the lowest stratum of rank within a "borgata." The terms "soldier" - "member" - "button man" - "made guy" are used interchangeably throughout LCN.

NY T-25 has advised that when introducing one person known to you as a member of LCN to another person also known to you as a member, you introduce him as "a friend of ours." In this way the person introduced knows the other is a member of LCN. Generally, according to this informant, the introduction is made in Italian and the words "amico nostro" is used.

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NY T-96 has advised that he was present at a [redacted] initiation ceremony during 1927, at which time the "Capo" of the [redacted] was [redacted]. The "Sotto Capo" was (First Name Unknown) [redacted]. He said that the term "Capo" is simply a term meaning "boss" or "leader", and that "Sotto Capo" is the title given to the person who is his assistant in command of a "Burgata."

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At the [redacted] initiation ceremony, a sponsor presented his candidate to the members and cited the candidate's qualifications and merits. The candidate was usually a person of Sicilian ancestry who had associated with "organization" members and their activities and had past experience with the "organization" as a recruit. He was qualified for membership by successfully carrying out assignments which ranged in importance from messenger boy to executioner. The sponsor, who became the godfather of the new member, recited the code of the "organization", which, in Pittsburgh, was approximately as follows:

"Honor is stressed as the most sacred thing in the world. To destroy another person must be for honor and not money alone. A member is warned never to engage in an affair with the wives of other members. A member must never engage in white slavery or narcotics, both crimes which are degrading to the name of the organization. A member must obey the complaints and instructions of his superior and is never to take the life of a fellow member before presenting his grievance to the Commission. A member must do nothing which would affect the organization without first receiving permission from a superior."

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The sponsor or godfather would take a knife or pin in the Pittsburgh ceremony and draw blood from the candidate by pricking one of his fingers. The blood was smeared on a holy card which was then set aflame and placed in the cupped hand of the candidate. While the card burned, the sponsor would affirm that the candidate would uphold the code of the "organization" and that if he should fail in this regard, his body would be destroyed as symbolized by the burning of the card. Following this ceremony, all members always embraced the new member and kissed him on both cheeks.

In theory, a "button man" is supposed to go to his "skipper," outline his plan to "pull off a job," and get the "skipper's" okay. After the "score" is made, the "button" is supposed to share the profit from the "job" with his "skipper." In practice, however, very few "button men" do this, and only the ones who are trying to "polish the apple" or get on the good side of the "skipper" advise him of their plans and share the profits of their escapades with him. The average "button man" feels that his "skipper" is making more money than he is and he feels he should not be required to share his profits with the "skipper."

Each "button man" is supposed to pay a monthly fee (\$20.00) to a collector within his "family." This money supposedly goes into a "war chest" to be used to aid a "family" member who is in trouble with the law or to assist his relatives when he is serving time in prison. In practice, however, this "war chest" is not used for this purpose and there is no way of knowing who eventually derives the benefit from it or where it eventually ends up. Because of the obvious misuse of this fund, many "buttons" do not pay into it, and there is no punishment netted out for their failure to do so.

Discipline is poor within "La Cosa Nostra" and most of the little guys go their own way in trying to make a fast dollar. Individual "button men" will attempt to conceal the amount of their successful scores so that other LCN members will not learn of it and attempt to cut themselves in on it. Lack of discipline within LCN in the New York area is partly attributed to the fact that there are five competing "families" within the Greater New York area. Because of the five competing "families," there is no one strong central authority who can make his leadership felt and enforce his rules and edicts upon members of the various "families."

Informant cited the Chicago, Illinois, "family" as a LCN group which can exercise stricter control and enforce tighter discipline upon its members mainly because there is only one "family" in the area.

If an LCN member wants to "hit" someone, he must obtain the permission to do so from his "skipper," who in turn gets permission from the head of the "family." If the "hit" is authorized, it is carried out by at least two "button men" who are selected by the "skipper."

The "button men" selected to carry out the "hit" must do so. They receive no monetary gain for carrying out the assignment, but these individuals earn an improved reputation and status within the "family." After the "hit" has been carried out the various "skippers" will furnish an explanation to the men under them as to why the individual was "hit." There must be valid reasons for having a person killed and, since ALBERT ANASTASIA was killed in 1957, there has been no indiscriminate killing done by LCN members.

The old LCN members, who have made a "pile of money" in the old days, just sit on their money and do not want the younger members to do anything that will bring heat on LCN. For the most part their children are brought up clean, are given educations, and then set up in legitimate businesses with good earning potentials.

No member is allowed to handle narcotics, prostitution or counterfeit money. Any LCN member who is handling these items is doing so on the sly and if he is caught he will be killed by members of his "family."

The order against handling narcotics, prostitution and counterfeit money has been in effect since at least the early 1950s.

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(E) ADVANTAGES OF LCN MEMBERSHIP

NY T-25 has advised that he became a member of LCN because he thought he would be given [redacted]  
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From his experience, NY T-25 has determined that there is no advantage to being a member of LCN on the [redacted] level. NY T-25 stated that he became a member [redacted]  
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[redacted] but it has been his experience that all a member gets in that way is what he can obtain by his own wits. Informant pointed out that most LCN members are to lazy to work so they will jump at any sort of illegal scheme to make a fast dollar.

Informant pointed out that the only advantage to being a member of LCN is that you command a certain amount of respect and admiration from other "small-time hoodlums" who would like to be "made" and who are envious of a person who is "made." Informant pointed out that through these hangers-on a "button man" can obtain information concerning recent crimes and use this knowledge to his advantage in getting a "piece of the action."

NY T-25 pointed out that most "button men" are "stumble bums" who have no money and who live from day to day on what they can beg, borrow, or steal. Those who are fortunate enough to own legitimate businesses are always on the alert for the opportunity to receive and sell stolen goods or to obtain a piece of any illegal activity from which they can make a profit.

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Transfers of Members

NY T-25 has advised that when one LCN member wants to transfer from one territory to another it is necessary for that individual to have a letter of introduction which he gives to the "boss" at the destination. In that way he will be accepted and aided by the "boss."

Informant pointed out, however, that in the event an individual came from Sicily with such a letter the "boss" contacted in the United States would have to be agreeable to accept the individual and if he did not feel the individual worthy for such acceptance for any reason, that person would not be accepted in LCN.

III LEADERSHIP

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DI GREGORIO (FORMERLY BONANNO)  
"FAMILY"

LEADERSHIP

On June 17, 1965, NY T-22 advised Bureau Agents that GASPARE DI GREGORIO had been made "boss" of the BONANNO "family".

On June 23, 1965, NY T-7 advised that the BONANNO "family" had finally been reorganized, and would be under the leadership of GASPARE DI GREGORIO.

DI GREGORIO at that time was recuperating from a heart attack. Various sources reported during 1965 and 1966, that due to his poor heart, there was a minimum of activity in that "family".

On November 23, 1965, NY T-5 advised that DI GREGORIO was "boss" of the former BONANNO "family", however, he was having problems because of the various factions in the "family", and could not settle problems between them. On December 1, 1965, NY T-5 advised that without question, DI GREGORIO's rise to power in replacing JOSEPH BONANNO was engineered by STEVE MAGADDINO and THOMAS LUCHESE. He said that both of these men have been, and are continuing to manipulate DI GREGORIO and his "family" as pawns.

Various sources have reported that a group of persons who remained loyal to JOSEPH BONANNO had been ousted from the DI GREGORIO "family", and were to be taught a lesson, possibly to be killed.

Other than a shooting incident which took place in the vicinity of 279 Troutman Street, Brooklyn, on January 28, 1966, in which there were no known casualties, no violent action is known to have taken place against the BONANNO loyalists.



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In regard to the above incident, the Late City edition of the New York Times of April 6, 1966 contained the following article which is set forth verbatim:

"MAFIA SHOOTING: REVISED VERSION

"Police Call Encounter First Battle  
for Bonanno Empire

By Charles Grutzner

"A new version of the circumstances under which the first shots were fired in the war for control of the Mafia 'family' long headed by Joseph (Joe Bananas) Bonanno emerged yesterday.

"The encounter, in which more than 20 shots were fired on the night of January 28, on Troutman Street, in the Ridgewood section of Brooklyn, is under continuing investigation by the police, the Brooklyn District Attorney, the United States Attorney and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

"For some time, investigators believed the battle had been an ambush of the missing Bonanno's eldest son, Salvatore, who fled unharmed.

"As reconstructed on the basis of new information, it was a two-way battle in which bodyguards of Salvatore (Bill) Bonanno shot back at gunmen supporting the leadership of Gasperino Di Gregorio.

"The police arrived minutes after the shooting ended. Apparently no one was injured, but seven firearms were found on the scene.

"About 100 neighbors were questioned and all but one said they had seen nothing. Troutman Street is in a closely knit Italian neighborhood where Joseph Bonanno began his career and where some of his relatives still live.

"New Version Given

"The events leading to the shooting are now believed to have been as follows:

"When Joseph Bonanno disappeared on the eve of a scheduled appearance before a Federal grand jury in October, 1964, he designated Frank La Bruzzo, his brother-in-law, as his successor to administer his far-flung underworld and legitimate enterprises, and said Salvatore was to assume the post of 'councilor.'

"But Mafia leaders at a meeting in January, 1965, chose Di Gregorio to head the Bonanno 'family.'

"Di Gregorio, who had been best man at Joseph Bonanno's wedding, was also godfather to Salvatore. He lives in a modest home in West Babylon, L.I., owns a garment factory in Brooklyn and has no police record.

"Salvatore Bonanno and several of his father's lieutenants refused to recognize Di Gregorio as leader, contending that his election had been dictated by Steve Maggadino, a member of the Mafia's national council and leader of an area extending from western New York into the Ohio Valley. Maggadino is Di Gregorio's father-in-law.

"Although most of the 'family' is believed to have accepted Di Gregorio's leadership, some old Bonanno lieutenants who held franchises for various operations have refused to make terms with the new leadership.

#### "23 Witnesses Subpoenaed

"A Brooklyn grand jury that has been investigating the Troutman Street shoot-up has issued subpoenas to 23 witnesses to appear next Wednesday. Salvatore Bonanno, who appeared before the grand jury two weeks ago, is to be questioned further.

"Di Gregorio, also under subpoena, is not expected to be reached for questioning until later in the investigation. A detective who went to his home to serve the subpoena was refused admittance by his wife, who said her husband was ill. Shortly afterward an ambulance drew up and took Di Gregorio to a hospital. The detective served the subpoena on him as he left his home.

"Assistant District Attorney Irving Seidman, who is presenting evidence to the Brooklyn grand jury, said yesterday that the inquiry would go into all the aspects of control of the former Bonanno empire that might have any bearing on the January 28 shooting."

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It is noted that [redacted] was subpoenaed in [redacted]. Concerning this shooting, NY T-3 advised that BILL BONANNO contacted GASPARE DI GREGORIO during the week of January 24, 1966, concerning territorial rights belonging to BILL BONANNO. DI GREGORIO advised BONANNO that [redacted] with DI GREGORIO, would contact BILL BONANNO in reference to a "sitdown" re territorial rights. BONANNO was subsequently contacted by [redacted] and was instructed by [redacted] to meet for a "sitdown" at 10:30 PM, [redacted] 1966, in the basement of the residence of [redacted] Brooklyn, New York. [redacted] is a long-time trusted BONANNO "soldier".

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BILL BONANNO, accompanied by [redacted] and two other individuals, arrived at the above address at approximately 9:15 PM, [redacted] 1966, for this meet. At approximately 10:15 PM, [redacted] advised BILL BONANNO he had a [redacted] from an unidentified male. BONANNO [redacted] and learned the [redacted] then advised BONANNO that he and the person with him, not identified, were [redacted]

[redacted] then advised BONANNO that if they did not [redacted] BILL BONANNO and his group were to [redacted] Ridgewood, Queens, New York, for the meet. It is to be noted that [redacted] was not under surveillance by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) on [redacted] 1966. The informant continued with the information that BILL BONANNO and his three companions waited [redacted]

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[redacted] BONANNO departed [redacted] first followed by [redacted]. When BONANNO reached the sidewalk, he turned toward [redacted] Avenue, pausing momentarily to allow [redacted] to catch up. As [redacted] reached the sidewalk, he [redacted]

[redacted] at BILL BONANNO. Although this individual [redacted] swung around and [redacted] BILL BONANNO was then [redacted]

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doorway. BONANNO and [redacted] then yelled at BILL BONANNO that three more individuals had appeared in the street with [redacted] BILL BONANNO and [redacted] BONANNO and [redacted] In all, [redacted] however, to date, no information has been received that anyone [redacted] involving BONANNO and [redacted] and the unknown individuals lasted approximately two or three minutes.

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NY T-3 advised in [redacted] 1966 that the above meeting on [redacted] 1966, was actually the [redacted] scheduled by BILL BONANNO, all of which had been, at the last minute, called off. It is noted that the "contact man" for arranging the meeting was a [redacted] under DI GREGORIO by the name of [redacted] Tuxedo Rentals, Incorporated, Wilson Avenue and Starr Street, Brooklyn, New York. It is noted that [redacted] is married to the [redacted] NY T-3 believed that possibly STEVE MAGADDINO from Buffalo, New York, may have ordered the "hits". Informant did not believe that DI GREGORIO would have the nerve to order the "hits" himself.

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On December 1, 1965, NY T-5 advised that the interests in Canada, which were formerly controlled by BONANNO's followers, were now controlled by STEVE MAGADDINO.

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The informant did not expect DI GREGORIO's "family" to last very long as it was then organized, because of factionalism within. He believed that MAGADINNO and LUCHESE would still control the "family" even if DI GREGORIO were to be removed.

On December 2, 1965, NY T-3 advised that DI GREGORIO has been fully accepted by the "commission" as the new "boss" of the former BONANNO "family". On January 8, 1966, this informant advised that DI GREGORIO's followers were swiftly becoming disenchanted with him, and some are not certain now if they had done the right thing by deserting BONANNO. This informant advised that [redacted] and [redacted] were [redacted] behind DI GREGORIO, and felt that one of these two would eventually assume control of the DI GREGORIO people.

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On May 13, 1966, NY T-23 advised that attempts were being made to decide what action to take concerning DI GREGORIO, who was reportedly being removed as "boss" of the "family". He was possibly to be replaced by JOSEPH ARTHUR ZICARELLI, with ANGELO CARUSO to be "underboss" or advisor to ZICARELLI.

On May 17, 1966, JOSEPH BONANNO voluntarily surrendered himself to the court at Southern District of New York (SDNY), where he was under indictment on a charge of Obstruction of Justice. He was released that date on \$150,00 bail, pending trial.

On June 8, 1966, NY T-7 advised that JOSEPH BONANNO had in the previous few days contacted ANGELO CARUSO, and told CARUSO that he was still with BONANNO. It was this informant's understanding that BONANNO was currently trying to regroup his "family" under this control, and that DI GREGORIO, who is in poor health, is not expected to give BONANNO much opposition on this matter. Following is set forth the leadership in this family:

GASPARE DI GREGORIO

"Boss"

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[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
MICHAEL ADAMO	"Capodecina"
ANGELO CARUSO (inactive)	"Capodecina"
MICHAEL JOSEPH CONSOLO	"Capodecina"
GAETANO D'ANGELO	"Capodecina"
[REDACTED]	"Capodecina"
[REDACTED] (inactive)	"Capodecina"
[REDACTED]	"Capodecina"
[REDACTED]	"Capodecina"
FRANK MARI	"Capodecina"
[REDACTED]	"Capodecina"
PHILLIP RASTELI	"Capodecina"
[REDACTED] East Rockaway, Long Island, New York)	"Capodecina"
MIKE SABELLA	"Capodecina"
[REDACTED]	"Capodecina"
[REDACTED]	"Capodecina"

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The following members remained loyal to JOSEPH BONANNO after his "ouster" by the "Commission" as "boss" of a La Cosa Nostra (LCN) "family" according to NY T-3:

SALVATORE VINCENT BONANNO  
also known as 'BILL'

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

JOSEPH FRANK NOTARO  
(died May 17, 1966)

PETER NOTARO

VITO DE FILIPPO

[REDACTED]

CHARLES JOSEPH BATTAGLIA  
Tucson, Arizona

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INDIANAPOLIS

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No information has been developed indicating the existence of an LCN "Family" in the Indianapolis area or has any information been developed concerning any known members of LCN residing therein.

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LAS VEGAS

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As previously reported, no information has been developed indicating the existence of a LCN "Family" within the Las Vegas area. Las Vegas is thought to be an "open" territory in that no one "Family" controls the area. Although certain individuals are reported as closely associated with the "syndicate" or "organization", no single source of leadership has been established to date.

PHOENIX

LEADERSHIP

Existence

Sources of the Phoenix Division have advised that although there is no formal organization of LCN in Arizona there are, in Tucson, Arizona, several persons reliably reported as being members of this organization. These members have been identified by NY T-3 and NY T-12 as being members of the JOSEPH BONANNO "family" of LCN. It should be noted that JOSEPH BONANNO continues to maintain a residence in Tucson where his wife and younger son, JOSEPH BONANNO, JR., reside.

Investigation has disclosed that the individuals known as members have various kinds of business and social contacts, however, the nature of these is not illegal. These same sources have advised that CHARLES JOSEPH BATTAGLIA, JR., of Tucson should be considered the leader of LCN in Arizona.

It is to be noted that BATTAGLIA was a "Capodecina" under JOSEPH BONANNO and remained loyal to him.

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NEW YORK

DI GREGORIO (formerly BONANNO) "FAMILY"

Membership

The following seventy-six individuals, who are subjects of AR investigations in which New York is office of origin, have been identified as members of the GASPARE DI GREGORIO "family" of LCN. These seventy-seven cases include two known members residing in Canada as well as two known members residing in Italy.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Identifying Source</u>
ADAMO, MICHAEL	NY T-3
[REDACTED]	NY T-3
[REDACTED]	NY T-4
ASARO, JEROME	NY T-3
[REDACTED]	NY T-3
[REDACTED]	NY T-5
BARRANCA, STEFANO	NY T-6
BONANNO, JOSEPH	NY T-6
BONANNO, SALVATORE VINCENT	NY T-4; NY T-7
[REDACTED]	NY T-4
[REDACTED]	NY T-12
[REDACTED]	NY T-3
[REDACTED]	NY T-3

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Identifying Source</u>
[REDACTED]	NY T-3
CARUSO, ANGELO	NY T-8
[REDACTED]	NY T-3
CONSOLO, MICHAEL JOSEPH	NY T-8
[REDACTED] (in Canada)	NY T-3
CRISCI, ANTHONY	NY T-4
[REDACTED]	NY T-5
[REDACTED]	NY T-4; NY T-6
[REDACTED]	NY T-3
DE FILIPPO, VITO	NY T-8; NY T-9
[REDACTED]	NY T-5
[REDACTED]	NY T-4
DI GREGORIO, GASPARE	NY T-9; NY T-5; NY T-3
[REDACTED]	NY T-4; NY T-5
[REDACTED]	NY T-4
EVOLA, NATALE	NY T-6
[REDACTED]	NY T-9
[REDACTED]	NY T-5
GALANTE, CARMINE	NY T-8
[REDACTED]	NY T-8
GIGANTE, PASQUALE	NY T-6

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Name

Identifying Sources

GIGLIO, SALVATORE

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GRECO, LOUIS (in Canada)

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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MARANGELLO, NICHOLAS

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[REDACTED]

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MARI, FRANK

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MESSINA, ANTHONY

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MESSINA, JOSEPH

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MIRABILE, SALVATORE

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

NY T-8

POLLASTRINO, ARMANDO

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PRESENZANO, ANGELO

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RASTELLI, PHILIP

NY T-9; NY T-5

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SABELLA, MIKE

NY T-3; NY T-5

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[REDACTED]

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TAGLIAGAMBE, MARIO F.

NY T-3

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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VALVO, BENJAMIN

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VALVO, MATTEO

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ZAFFARANO, MICHAEL

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The following individuals have been identified as members of the DI GREGORIO "family" of LCN who [redacted] New York Division:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office of Origin</u>	<u>Identifying Source</u>
ALFANO, NICHOLAS	Newark	NY T-9
BATTAGLIA, CHARLES JOSEPH	Phoenix	NY T-3
[redacted]	Phoenix	NY T-3
CACIOPPO, TONY	Phoenix	NY T-3
[redacted]	Phoenix	NY T-3
[redacted]	San Francisco	NY T-15
[redacted]	Phoenix	NY T-3
RIELA, ANTHONY	Newark	NY T-14
[redacted]	Phoenix	NY T-3
[redacted]	Phoenix	NY T-3
[redacted]	Phoenix	NY T-3
[redacted]	Phoenix	NY T-3
ZICARELLI, JOSEPH ARTHUR	Newark	NY T-4; NY T-9

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Set forth below are the names of those individuals who have been identified as suspected members of LCN in the DI GREGORIO "family":

ANDALORO, RUSS (OO:Phoenix)

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (OO:Mi-mi)

LEONE, ANTHONY

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Last Name Unknown (LNU) aka [REDACTED]

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INDIANAPOLIS

MEMBERSHIP

No information has been developed indicating the existence of an LCN "Family" in the Indianapolis area nor has any information been developed concerning any known members of LCN residing therein.

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The following individuals have been identified as members of the GASPARE DI GREGORIO "Family" of LCN residing within the Newark Area:

GASPARE DI GREGORIO "FAMILY "

<u>Name</u>	<u>Identifying Source</u>
ANTHONY RIELA	NY T-14
JOSEPH ARTHUR ZICARELLI	NY T-23

The following two unidentified members of the GASPARE DI GREGORIO "Family" of LCN are reported to be residing within the Newark area:

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, "GIAMONE "	NY T-9
UNKNOWN SUBJECT, <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 80px; height: 20px; vertical-align: middle;"></span>	NY T-9

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PHOENIX

MEMBERSHIP

The following individuals have been identified as members of LCN residing in Arizona. All of these individuals are still considered being members of the JOSEPH BONANNO "family" inasmuch as they have all remained loyal to him.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Identifying Source</u>
[REDACTED]	NY T-3, NY T-12
CHARLES JOSEPH BATTAGLIA, JR.	NY T-3, NY T-12
[REDACTED]	NY T-3, NY T-12
ANTHONY CACIOPPO	NY T-3, NY T-12
[REDACTED]	NY T-3, NY T-12
[REDACTED]	NY T-3, NY T-12
[REDACTED]	NY T-3, NY T-12
[REDACTED]	NY T-3, NY T-12
[REDACTED]	NY T-3, NY T-12

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SUSPECTED OR PROPOSED MEMBERS

The following individuals are considered suspected or proposed members of LCN residing in Arizona:

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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As a result of over one hundred interviews, information was developed which resulted in perjury indictments against both MELILLO and [REDACTED] b6 b7C

This investigation has established that hoodlum figures in the GENOVESE and GAMBINO "families" of LCN are known to occupy dominant positions in the New York City and Westchester County garbage collection and waste paper industry.

On April 21, 1966, JOHN IGNAZIO DIOGUARDI and three other individuals and a corporation were charged in a three count indictment filed in the SDNY with violation of the National Bankruptcy Act, Title 18, United States Code, Sections 152, 371 and 2.

DIOGUARDI and three others were arrested by Bureau Agents on April 21, 1966. The four individuals and the corporation are charged with conspiracy in the illegal transfer and concealment of the assets of Consumer Kosher Provisions, Brooklyn, New York, after the company had been petitioned into bankruptcy.

As of April, 1966, there were five FGJs impanelled in the SDNY and were [REDACTED]  
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One inquiry concerns the activities of the [REDACTED]  
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On June 15, 1966, Agents of the New York Office conducted simultaneous interviews of well over 100 individuals on the Brooklyn Waterfront, including representatives of steamship companies, stevedoring firms, and longshore unions. Twenty-four of those interviewed were served with subpoenas to appear before a Federal Grand Jury, Eastern District of New York, on July 12, 1966. General intelligence information regarding waterfront rackets was received as well as specific information regarding two loan sharks, six bookies and/or numbers runners and one thief.

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EFFECTIVE COUNTER MEASURES AGAINST LCN

NY T-25 has advised that the tactic of roving groups of Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) agents visiting the various bars and restaurants where LCN members are known to congregate during the evenings has had a particularly distressing effect on the owners of these establishments. Such visits of known hangouts has caused many LCN members to cease to frequent their usual haunts and has resulted in severe financial losses to the owners of those places.

Informant expressed the belief that such tactics seriously disrupt the day-to-day activities of numerous hoodlums and LCN members whose daily existence revolves around [REDACTED] being seen by their counterparts.

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The knowledge that penetrations of LCN has been made by the FBI has also had a disturbing effect on that organization and has given rise to much mutual distrust not only among the rank and file but also among the higher echelons of LCN.

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In discussing the activities of the Magaddino "family", VALENTI remarked that Buffalo has always made money and, in fact, Buffalo has pieces of Canada and the Bahamas. He stated that JOE VOLPE of Toronto was handling the big game or operation which formerly belonged to JOSEPH BONANNO. He stated that this game or operation belongs to the Magaddino "family" and consists of a big casino which produces \$50,000 a month for Buffalo, which is delivered by the three brothers. It appeared that VALENTI was making reference to the three VOLPE brothers who have interests in gambling casinos in Haiti and the Bahama Islands. VALENTI remarked that at least three millionaires from the Pennsylvania area frequent this gambling establishment, and that VALENTI has received information along this line directly from VOLPE himself. Concerning the operations in Rochester, New York, VALENTI indicated to NY T-43 that he gives half of what is made to the "old man" (MAGADDINO).



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On January 6, 1966, the body of SALVATORE EUGENE PALMA, who was under indictment for violation of Federal Interstate Transportation of Stolen Property statute, was found in Mount Olivet Cemetery, Raytown, Missouri. In relation to this, NY T-72 furnished the following information in February, 1966:

He advised that NICK CIVELLA was the head of the organized criminal group in Kansas City and that the killing of SAM PALMA could only have been done with the approval of NICK CIVELLA. He described CIVELLA as "an animal", who had no compunction about snuffing out anyone's life.

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Referring to past acts of violence performed by the  
ICN group, NY T-75 has identified the Los Angeles "Family"  
as being responsible for the following gangland-type killings, none of which have ever been solved:

ANTHONY TROMBINO - murdered  
(August 6, 1951)

ANTHONY BRONCATO - murdered  
(August 6, 1951)

DAVID M. OGUL - murdered  
(October 10, 1949)

FRANK NICCOLI - murdered  
(September 2, 1949)

SAMUEL RUMMEL - murdered  
(December 11, 1950)

RUSSIAN LOUIS STRAUSS - murdered  
(April 16, 1953)

FRANK BORGIA - murdered  
(December 2, 1951)

RALPH GENOVESE - murdered  
(date disappeared unknown)

JAMES DELMONT - murdered  
(June 4, 1960)

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VI CONSPIRATORIAL ASPECTS

(A) "COMMISSION" MEETINGS

No substantiated information has been developed indicating that the LCN "Commission" has met as a unit during the investigative period of this report.

Investigation, however, has disclosed that certain members of the "Commission" met with other "Commission" members and key leaders of LCN. Details of some of these known meetings are described below.

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Character: Anti-Racketeering - Conspiracy

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent  
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